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VIA HAND DELIVERY

David Waddell, Executive Secretary Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37238

Re:

Status Report - Third Party Bill Block

Dear Mr. Waddell:

As requested by the Authority during the May 9, 2000 regularly-scheduled Directors' Conference, BellSouth is providing this status report with respect to Third Party Bill Block. System testing of Bill Block continues. Testing is anticipated to be completed by mid-to-late August. In addition, a first draft of the proposed tariff has been developed for internal review.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

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